ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA

Sealed bids for furnishing all labor, materials and equipment for the following projects will be received in the Office of the Clerk of the Board of County Commissioners, Room 17-202, Stephen P. Clark Center, 111 N.W. 1st Street, Miami, up to 2:00 p.m., Local Time, <u>May 10, 2006</u>. Bidders satisfying all requirements stated in this Contract shall be notified to participate in the Bid Opening activities on <u>May 12, 2006</u> at Stephan P. Clark Center, 111 N.W. 1st Street, 18th Floor, where it will be publicly opened and read aloud by the Clerk.

PROJECT NAME: The F.E.C. Borrow Canal Dredging Project (NW 67th Avenue,

between NW 20th Street to NW 74th Street)

PROJECT NUMBER: GOB 1-70815-70841

CONTRACT NUMBER: 2005GOB3000

LOCATION: Canal runs along NW 67th Avenue between NW 20th Street to NW

74th Street

DESCRIPTION: The removal of sediment and debris deposited in the Canal currently

maintained by Miami-Dade County. Using appropriate equipment and personnel; provide comprehensive traffic control in accordance with all federal, state, and local laws; the transport and disposal of sediment to a lined landfill facility or as directed by the County; provide a system management for the amount of debris transported; and maintain project records in accordance with Generally Accepted

Accounting Standards to facilitate audit and inspection.

To answer any questions regarding this project, a **Pre-Bid meeting** will be held on **Thursday April 27**, **2006** at 2:00 P.M. at the Thomas Center Building, First Floor Conference Room, 172-A West Flagler Street, Miami, Florida 33130. Specifications and Contract Documents will be open to public inspection and may be obtained from the Contracts and Specifications Group, Division of Recovery and Mitigation (DORM), at 172-A West Flagler Street, Miami, Florida 33130, **Friday April 7**, **2006**, upon submitting a **nonrefundable** charge of **\$50.00**, in check or money order (No cash will be accepted) payable to the **Board of County Commissioners of Miami-Dade County, Florida** for each set of documents.

MIAMI-DADE COUNTY CONTRACTOR'S CERTIFICATION IS REQUIRED IN ONE OF THE FOLLOWING CATEGORIES: General Building, General Engineering or other certified categories as applicable to Chapter 10 of the Code of Metropolitan Dade County, or State of Florida General Contractor's License.

In accordance with Dade County Ordinance No.'s 97-52, 97-158, and A.O.3-22, a <u>CSBE subcontractor goal of 12%</u> has been established for this project. Compliance with these Ordinances is required for all contractors submitting a bid for this project. See "Participation Provisions" which are bound herein and are made part of the Specifications and Contract Documents.

This Contract is subject to a Community Workforce Goal in accordance with Ordinance 03-1 Administrative Order 3-37. The Workforce Goal for this Contract is 10% and

Participation Provisions outlining the requirements for goal compliance is attached and is part of this solicitation. Additionally, the bidder must submit the FIRM QUALIFICATION AFFIDAVAIT FORMS as evidence of prior experience with projects of similar nature. This evidence should include a biography describing the firm's history, location(s), legal structure, financial status, ownership, and key staff. A listing of equipment available to complete the elements of service is required. All firms previously participating in the C02-DERM-EEC Contract are exempt from this requirement.

Please note that the Contractor will submit two envelopes: the first envelope containing the Schedule of Intent Affidavit (SIA) and the Firm Qualification Affidavit Forms. The Contractor shall also, in the second envelope, turn in the complete bid package including pricing. Both envelopes are due at the time and bid submission date as stated in the advertisement. The envelope with the SIA will be opened on the bid submission date, and if the SIA is defective (see included Participations Provisions) the bidder may be given 48 hours to rectify. At that time (48 hours later), the approved bidders with the affirmed SIA's will have their project pricing envelopes opened and prices read aloud. In order to allow time for the CSBE Subcontractor participation presentation and the review of said presentation, no contractor may withdraw his bid for a period of up to one hundred twenty (120) calendar days after the bid opening. Disregard anything to the contrary within these Contract Documents. Bidders satisfying all requirements stated in this Contract shall be notified to participate in the Bid Opening activities at the Stephan P. Clark Center, 111 N.W. 1st Street, 18th Floor, where it will be publicly opened and read aloud by the Clerk.

All bids must be submitted in a sealed envelope or container bearing on the outside the name of the Bidder, his address, the number of the project for which the bid is submitted, and the date of opening. Bids will be opened promptly at the submittal deadline. Bids received after the first bid envelope or container has been opened will not be opened or considered. The Bid must also be accompanied by a certified check or acceptable bid bond in the amount not less than 5% of the Base Bid as guarantee that the bidder, if awarded the contract, will within 10 consecutive work days after being notified of the availability of the prescribed forms, enter into a written contract with the Board of County Commissioners of Miami-Dade County, Florida in accordance with the accepted bid, and give a performance bond satisfactory to the Board of County Commissioners, Miami-Dade County, Florida, as provided in the terms and conditions of the contract documents.

Pursuant to Section 2-11.1(t) of the Miami-Dade County Code, as amended, a "Cone of Silence" is imposed upon each RFP, RFQ or bid after its advertisement and terminating at the time the County Manager issues a written recommendation to the Board on County Commissioners. The Cone of Silence <u>prohibits</u> <u>any communication</u> regarding RFPs, RFQ,s or bids between, among others:

- Potential vendors, service providers, lobbyists or consultants and the County's professional staff including, but not limited to, the County Manager and the County Manager's staff, the Mayor, County Commissioners or their respective staffs;
- The Mayor, County Commissioners or their respective staffs and the County's professional staff including, but no limited to, the County Manager the County Manager's staff;

 Potential vendors, service providers, bidders, lobbyists or consultants, any member of the County's professional staff, the Mayor, County Commissioners or their respective staffs and any member of the respective selection committee.

The provisions do not apply to, among other communications:

 Oral communications with the staff of the Vendor Information Center, the responsible Procurement Agent or Contracting Officer, provided the communication is limited strictly to matters or process or procedure already contained in the solicitation document; The provisions of the Cone of Silence do not apply to oral communications at the proposal or pre-bid conferences, oral presentations before selection committees, contract negotiation during any duly noticed public meeting, public presentations made to the Board of County Commissioners during any duly noticed public meeting or Board of County Commissioners unless specifically prohibited by the applicable RFP, RFQ or bid documents.

Proposers or bidders must file a copy of any written communications with the Clerk of the Board, which shall be made available to any person upon request. The County shall respond in writing and file a copy with the Clerk of the Board, which shall be made available to any person upon request. Written communications may be in the form of e-mail, with a copy to the Clerk of the Board at mailto:CLERKBCC@miamidade.gov.

In addition to any penalties provided by law, violation of the Cone of Silence by any proposer or bidder shall render any RFP award, RFQ award or bid award voidable. Any person having personal knowledge of violation of these provisions shall report such violation to the State Attorney and/or may file a complaint with Ethics Commission. Proposers or bidders should reference Section 2-11.1(t) of the Miami-Dade County Code for further clarification. This language is only summary of the key provisions of the Cone of Silence. Please review Miami-Dade County Administrative Order 3-27 for a complete and thorough description of the Cone of Silence. Ordinance No. 91-142, Family Leave Ordinance; Ordinance No. 92-15, Drug-Free Workplace Ordinance; Ordinance No. 93-129, Contractor Debarment Ordinance; Ordinances Nos. 94-166 and 96-26 Local Preference Ordinances; Ordinances Nos. 97-35 and 97-104 Fair Subcontracting Practices; Resolution No. R-702-98 (Repeals and supersedes Resolutions Nos. R-1206-97 and R-366-97) Welfare To Work Initiative; and Ordinance No. 98-30, County Contractors Employment and Procurement Practices; are referenced for this contract document. To request a copy of any ordinance, resolution and/or administrative order cited in this Bid Solicitation, the Bidder must contact the **Clerk of the Board** at **(305)** 375-5126.

The County reserves the right to waive any informalities in, or to reject any or all bids. Bids from any person, firm or corporation in default upon any agreement with the County will be rejected. No Bidder may withdraw his bid within one hundred twenty (120) days after date set for the opening thereof.

GEORGE M. BURGESS, COUNTY MANAGER MIAMI-DADE COUNTY

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